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For: A PROCESS FOR THE CONVERSION OF ECHINOCANDIN CLASS
OF PEPTIDES TO THEIR C4-HOMOTYROSINE MONODEOXY
ANALOGUES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits of the above-identified application, please amend
the applications as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

a 3. (Amended) A process as claimed in [claims 1 to 3] claim 1, wherein the reduction
reaction is carried out by hydrogenolysis with Raney nickel in ethanol at pH7 and room
temperature.

4. (Amended) A process as claimed in [claims 1 to 3] claim 3, wherein the
hydrogenolysis is carried out in the ratio of 6.8 ml of Raney nickel per millimole of
mulundocandin.

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request entry of the foregoing amendment prior to the
examination on the merits of the instant application. Should the Examiner have any
questions or comments regarding the pending application or this preliminary amendment,